ASCS TODAY

By Tom Conrad

# Grain shipments suspended to Soviet Union

Following is the text of an announcement prepared for delivery by Vice President Walter F. Mondale at the USDA Administration Building recently.

"In the President's Address to the nation, he announced that we were suspending shipments of grain to the Soviet Union in excess of the 8 million tons per year that we are committed to sell under the five-year grain agreement that expires next year. As a result, approximately 17 million tons of grain ordered by the Soviet Union will not be delivered.

In addition, he directed that no sales of high technology or other strategic items will be licensed for sale to the Soviet Union until further notice while we review our licensing policy.

These are strong actions. The President took them because it is absolutely crucial to force the Soviet Union to pay a heavy price for the agression it has chosen to commit in Afghanistan.

Like any strong action, the grain suspension is not without cost to ourselves. But as the President said, he is determined that this cost will be shared fairly by all of us. American farmers are just as willing as other Americans to carry their share of the burden-but they must not be forced to carry an extra share just because they are farmers.

That is why the Administration took a number of immediate actions to protect farmers from adverse price effects associated with the suspension.

The President has directed Secretary of Agriculture Bob Bergland to take one additional step to make absolutely sure that our farmers are not unfairly penalized for an action that is in the best interest of the entire nation. To minimize disruptions in the nation's grain markets and economic damage to farmers resulting from the export suspension, he is directing the Secretary of Agriculture to offer to purchase contractual obligations for wheat, corn, and soybeans previously committed for shipment to the Soviet Union. The Commodity Credit Corporation will assume these contracts at the contract price minus any costs that have not already been paid. Our purpose is to protect against losses, not to guarantee profits. This grain will not be sold back into the markets until it can be done without unduly affecting market prices.

This action, in combination with those already announced by the Secretary of Agriculture, will ensure that the quantities of grain that would have been shipped to the Soviet Union will be isolated from the market and that America's farmers will face essentially the same set of supply-demand conditions as if the sales to the Soviet Union had gone forward.

I know that the President is personally gratified at the many expressions of support he has received from the farm community. Although we are determined to see that our farmers are not unfairly penalized by this suspension, some sacrifices will be required of everyone. Again, we will do the very best we can to make certain that these sacrifices are shared fairly."

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# Hollywood

They hated him yet the more for his dreams, and for his words. (Gen. 37:8)

Father, forgive us for any unkind act or thought towards one of your children, teach us to love one another.

Rev. Dan Menser brought a good message Sunday morning at Hollywood Church.

The W.M.U. of Hollywood church will meet at 9:15 Sunday morning, Jan. 20 at the church.

We are very sorry Mr. David Smith remains ill in the Lynchburg General Hospital. Our prayers are with him and his love ones.

Mrs. Myrna Franklin is a patient in the Westbrook Hospital in Richmond. Our prayers are with her and her love ones. May she soon be feeling better.

Mrs. Mary Bagby and other relatives received word Sunday evening that Mr. and Mrs. Ewing Joiner of Herndon, Ky. had recently been in the hospital there but are back at home now. We pray they may continue to improve and may each be well soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott Torrence celebrated Mr. Torrence's mother's, Mrs. Lave Torrence, 85th birthday the 9th of Jan. All of Mr. and Mrs. Torrence's children and Mrs. James Conner and Mr. Veron Torrence were present for this happy occassion. We wish Mrs. Torrence many more happy birthdays.

We were very sorry to hear Mr. Bobby Smith broke his arm last week and was in the hospital a few days. He's back home now and we wish him a very speedy recovery.

We are so glad Mr. Robert Coleman is feeling some better this weekend after a spell of the flu. Mr. Calvin Smith visited Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Sunday.

Mrs. Carrie Jane Garlick is visiting her mother Mrs. Billy Inge, and other relatives.

Rev. Dan Menser visited in several of the homes in the Hollywood community last week.

Mr. Alfred Almond visited Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woodall and Lisa and Miss Julia Wingfield were visitors Sunday afternoon of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Watson and family.

Mrs. Mary Bagby was a dinner guest Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield and family.

Mrs. Claude Hamlett and daughter, Brenda, of Hurt and Mr. Grover Beasley, Jr. visited their mother, Mrs. Virgie Beasley, during the weekend.

We were very sorry to hear little Brandy Webb, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Webb, was very sick in the hospital last week but we are happy she is improving and hope she may soon be real well again.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Webb Sunday and during the week was Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Webb, Miss Joyce Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Craft and family, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Webb, Mrs. Marshall Goin and daughter, Beverly, Mr. Scott Sheets, and Mr. Richard and Walker Webb.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Bryant of Farmville were guest Sunday of his sister, Mrs. Shirley Carson.

Mr. Jim Woodall visited Mrs. Mary Bagby and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield Friday.

Mrs. Andy Davis and Robin and Mrs. David Austin visited Mrs. Mary Bagby last week.

Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Webb and Mr. Walker Webb were Mr. and Mrs. Martin Webb.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Webb and Miss Joyce Webb visited Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson Sunday afternoon.

PLACES FIRST IN FORD'S TRAINING PROGRAM CONTEST - Johnny Paulette, Shop Foreman at Lawson Ford, Inc., is shown accepting a $100.00 check from Mr. Dennis Peterson, Ford Motor Company's Service Zone Representative, for winning 1st place in Ford Motor Company's Certified Training Program Contest for 1979.

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# Adult Education classes delayed

Adult education classes for second semester will start the week of February 18 in an announcement made this week by Lloyd G. Walton, superintendent of schools. The delay will aid in the conservation of energy and will hopefully avoid some of the inclement weather conditions. Information concerning adult classes for second semester will be made available to the public during the week of February 4. Adults are requested to watch for radio and news releases.

Classes being scheduled for second semester will include adult basic, GED Review, art, physical education for men and women, bricklaying, beginning bookkeeping, farm machinery repair both at Appomattox and Pamplin, adult farmer evening class at Pamplin, sewing, typing, upholstery, and woodworking.

A total of twelve classes were offered first semester with a total enrollment of 201 adults. "Adult education classes provide an excellent way for adults to learn new skills, improve present skills, and increase avocational pursuits", states R. B. Carter, who has seen the adult education program expand greatly over the past five years.

Persons interested in other adult classes are asked to contact Mr. R. B. Carter, Coordinator of Adult Education between 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at 352-8253.

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# December students of the month

A new project of the Appomattox County High School National Honor Society this year is called "Student of the Month", and its purpose is to recognize outstanding members of the ACHS student body. Each month teachers nominate students they feel have made important contributions to the school. The nominations are voted on and the winner is announced.

This month the vote tally was so close that the decision was made to have a winner and a runner-up.

Luis Garcia, right above, won top honors with Danny Harvey, left, taking the runner-up spot.

Luis not only starred in the Drama Club's presentation of "Flowers for Algernon", but worked on the set for the play, also. Luis is involved with many band activities as well.

Danny was a National Honor Society Scholarship Finalist and attended the Dean's Invitational at VPI and appeared on Klassroom Kwiz as a member of the National Honor Society team which won six straight games.

Congratulations to Luis Garcia and to Danny Harvey.

# Pamplin

Jan. 14 - Sympathy extended to the family of Mr. Clarence Webber.

Pamplin Homemakers Club will meet Thursday, Jan. 17, 7:30 p.m. with Mrs. Pat Trimyer as hostess.

Bruce Williams left last Friday for Fort Bennington, Ga., for two weeks training with Army Reserve.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Davis spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Roger Watson and family of Victoria.

A memorial service was held Sunday at Elon Baptist Church for relatives and friends of members who passed away in 1979. Services were conducted by Rev. Trimyer, organ music furnished by Mrs. Dorothy Jennings.

Mr. Bobby Lucado of Louisville, Ky. visited relatives here last Wednesday.

# Ruritans bring Santa to Pamplin

On Saturday, Dec. 22, the Pamplin Ruritan Club arranged for Santa Claus to make a special visit to the Town of Pamplin. Over 100 children and many parents turned out to welcome Santa who was transported by the Pamplin Volunteer Fire Department. Bags of candy and fresh fruit were given to each child that came to see Santa.

The Santa Claus project is one of many community service programs sponsored by the Pamplin Ruritans each year.

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# News of bloodmobile

I'm sure that you will agree that December is just about the busiest month in the year. Busy or not, we had a full staff of volunteer help at our visit of the bloodmobile on Dec. 17. The problem was not having enough donors to keep this great volunteer group as busy as they like to be.

We are very grateful to the Future Farmers of America from Appomattox County High School for their important role in helping the Red Cross unit unload equipment and load it again at the end of the day. This, too, is a very important job, one I had a hard time filling due to the time of day that this work had to be done. I appreciate Mr. Jimmy Burcher volunteering this fine help and thanks, fellows. Just one more thing, how about bringing a big group of donors.

The volunteer registered nurses for this visit were Ann Sefter, Virginia Fratrick, Pamela C. Bryant, Elaine Hampton, Margaret Thompson, Mary Hart and Lena Eversole. Licensed practical nurses volunteering for the day were Sue Waddell, Rebecca Fox, and Jackie Smith; and Brenda Franklin, medical technician.

Labelers were Frances Wilson, Elizabeth Jamerson, Francis Hopkinson, Charlotte Jennings; temperatures were taken by Marietta Irby and Linda Loungblood; in charge of pins and donors were Margo Mims and Katie Martin. Donor assistants were Lynn Lucado, Harriett Cunningham, Florence Ranson, Eva Mayberry and Margaret Megginson. Typists for the visit were Roma Moore, Ida Grinels, Lorna Gowen, and Debbie Edmonds. On the telephone committee were Suzie Fisher, Ruby Roach, Pam Mays, Linda Mays and Jean Nash. New Hope Baptist Church members assisting with the Canteen were Claudine O'Brien, Mildred Alvis, Joy Davis, Mary Lizzie Ferguson, Margaret O'Brien, Bessie O'Brien, Doris Mitchell, Nellie Beale, Lula Almond, and Ruth Drinkard.

Nursery workers were Mrs. W. W. Wallis, Barbara Carr, Mildred Hubbard, Mrs. Sidney Hughes, Ethel St. John, Sally Martin, Thelma Conner, Pam Mays, Gladys Bryant, Mary Grey Holland, Cheryl and Laura Walton.

We appreciate publicity from the Times-Virginian and from WTTX radio station and the signs made by Mr. C. L. Perdue.

Thanks a million to each of you for taking time out of your busy schedule to come and help at the bloodmobile.

Be sure to keep reading and watching TV for the "New Look for the 80's".

Alice C. Martin, Chairman
Blood Services Program

# Chestnut Grove

Jan. 7 - Mrs. Don Morris, Mrs. Roger Morris, Mrs. Frances St. John, Mrs. C. J. Morris and Cindy were among those attending a bridal shower for Lynn Glover, Thursday night at Walkers Presbyterian Church at Hixburg.

Mrs. W. T. Cook was a Wednesday visitor in the home of the Rev. and Mrs. Dott Bryan.

Mrs. Bill Senger returned home Thursday from the Southside Hospital and is slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Senger were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Senger.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Haver and Bill of Andersonville were recent suppers guest of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Morris.

Friday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Morris were Mr. and Mrs. Luther Walden of Lynchburg.

Wednesday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cook were Mr. and Mrs. Cosby Moss of Dillwyn.

The Chestnut Grove Home makers Club will meet, Jan. 14, at 2:00 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Don Morris.

Mrs. Katherine Carson and Mrs. Nannie Carson, both of Spout Spring, were Wednesday luncheon guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Beasley, Jr.

Ethel Proffitt returned to Ferrum Monday after spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Proffitt.

Randall Ferguson celebrated birthday

Randall Ferguson celebrated his birthday recently with a party at A. J. Skateworld. Joining him for the celebration were Terry Ferguson, Lance Chenault, Lee Scruggs, Joe Servis, Cara Gagneur, Beth Carter, Sheri Williams, Lisa Pulliam, Bobby Swanding, Terri Hamlett and Cheryl Franklin. They enjoyed the skating and birthday refreshments.

# Concord Garden club held meeting

The Concord Garden Club held its usual Christmas dinner party, with 24 persons present, in the home of a member, Mrs. John Wooldridge, in the Davidson's Sub-division, Rt. 3, Lynchburg.

The hostess had as her guest, Mrs. Julian Wooldridge of Lynchburg, seven husbands of the club's membership and Mrs. Ernest Goff had Mrs. William Thompson as her guest. The whole place was beautifully decorated inside and out.

There was an exchange of gifts among the members and gifts for the guests. A highlight of the evening was the judging of the packages by the men present. The result was as follows: "The Most Original" - Mrs. Charles F. Jones, "The Prettiest" - Mrs. C. R. Carson, "The Most Christmasy" - Mrs. James Hancock, Jr.

According to plan, there will not be a meeting in January and February.

# UDC slates luncheon meeting

The Appomattox Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will meet for their Lee-Jackson-Maury luncheon Thursday, Jan. 17 (today) at Maude's Restaurant.

The luncheon will begin at noon, followed by the program, to be given by Lucille Ferrell, chapter historian.

Chapter officials urge all members to attend this event.

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